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HUNGARY

SUBJECT
INSURGENT CALL FOR EMIGRE LEADERS

DATE OF INFORMATION
31 OCTOBER 1956

REFERENCES

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1. DESPERATELY NEEDED IS AN OUTSTANDING LEADER FOR THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE. EVEN FERENC NAGY COULD GET HIMSELF ELECTED PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT IF HE CAME TO HUNGARY TODAY. HE AND OTHER LEADERS SHOULD NOT STAY OUTSIDE HUNGARY.
2. IMRE NAGY IS NOT TRUSTED BECAUSE HE WAS FORCED INTO THE PREMIERSHIP AT GUN POINT. HOWEVER, NO WANTS HIS HEAD. HE MAY HAVE GOOD POINTS BUT HE CANNOT DECIDE OF HIS OWN FREE WILL. PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW WHO CALLED SOVIET TROOPS TO FIGHT HUNGARIANS. A SPECIAL GOVERNMENT MUST BE APPOINTED, ENABLING THE INSURGENTS TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE BUDAPEST GOVERNMENT ON EQUAL TERMS. IF FERENC NAGY OR ANYBODY ELSE WOULD COME TO HUNGARY, WITHIN TWO DAYS A REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY COULD BE ORGANIZED WHICH WOULD NAME HIM PROVISIONAL NATIONAL PRESIDENT. PEOPLE INSIST THAT DEMOCRACY COME FROM THE PEOPLE AND NOT FROM IMRE NAGY AND HIS GOVERNMENT.

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